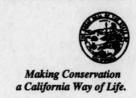
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Caltrans receives many bids in response to its highway construction needs and strives to ensure the integrity of the competitive bidding process. Based on the items listed above, it is Caltrans' determination that the bid is both mathematically and materially unbalanced as there is reasonable doubt that Future DB's bid will result in the lowest ultimate cost to the State.

Based on the above, the Caltrans has determined that Future DB is no longer eligible for award of this contract. Caltrans will proceed to award this contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

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If you have any questions, please contact Mulissa Smith, Contract Awards Branch Chief, at (916) 227-6228.

Sincerely,

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